## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace the claims, including all prior versions, with the listing of claims below.

## Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~A method for transfer of an IP packet over a path from a sender ~~(CN 13)~~ over a radio access network ~~(BS 6, HA 15,FA 11)~~ to a mobile host ~~(MS 2)~~, comprising:

~~characterized in that~~examining, when a home agent ~~(HA 15)~~ receives an incoming data packet determined for a mobile host ~~(MS 2)~~ with a destination address ~~(MS2 address 137.21.16.5)the home agent (HA 15) examines~~, if there is a match between the destination address ~~(MS2 address: 137.21.16.5)~~ of the packet and a subnetwork address ~~(FA 11 address: 137.21.16.0)~~ of a foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ listed in a list of subnetwork addresses ~~(137.21.16.0; 137.22.25.0)~~ stored at the home agent (HA)~~,~~; and

~~wherein~~examining, if there is a match between the destination address ~~(MS2 address: 137.21.16.5)~~and a subnetwork address ~~(FA 11 address: 137.21.16.0)~~ of a foreign agent, ~~the home agent examines~~whether a preconfigured path from the home agent ~~(HA 15)~~ to ~~this~~the foreign agent exists and ~~wherein the home agent (HA 15) sends~~sending the packet to ~~this~~the foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ on ~~this~~the preconfigured label switched path ~~(37)~~ if a label switched path ~~(37)~~ to ~~this~~the foreign agent exists.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~The method according to claim 1, wherein the home agent ~~(HA 15)~~sends the packet to ~~this~~the foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ on ~~this~~the preconfigured label switched path ~~(37)~~ by sending the packet over a port of a forwarding interface ~~(eth0)~~ of the home agent ~~(HA 15)~~which port is used for the path with ~~this~~the path number ~~(37)~~.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Method~~The method according to ~~any of the preceding claims~~claim 1, wherein the home agent ~~(HA 15)~~ examines if there is a match between the destination address ~~(MS2 address: 137.21.16.5)~~ of the packet and a subnetwork address

(FA 11 address: 137.21.16.0) of a foreign agent (FA 11) only if there is an entry (MS2 address: 137.21.16.5) in a binding cache of the home agent (HA 15) which entry corresponds to the destination address (MS2 address: 137.21.16.5) of the incoming packet.

4. (Currently Amended)    Method The method according to any of the preceding claims claim 1, wherein a handover of a mobile host (MS1) from one foreign agent to an other foreign agent is done without creating or modifying a path between the foreign agent and a home agent of this the mobile host.

5. (Currently Amended)    Method The method according to any of the preceding claims claim 1, wherein the path (37) is a preconfigured, statically administered, multipurpose label switched path.

6. (Currently Amended)    Method The method according to any of the preceding claims claim 1, wherein the functional entities of mobile IP and multipurpose label switching MPLS are co-located but not correlated in a foreign agent (FA 11).

7. (Currently Amended)    Method The method according to any of the preceding claims claim 1, wherein a foreign agent (FA 11) and a home agent (HA 15) are packet switched nodes of an IP network.

8.   (Currently Amended)    Home A home agent (HA 15), characterized in that it comprises, comprising:
[[-]]a memory containing including a list of subnetwork addresses (137.21.16.0; 137.22.25.0) of foreign agents,:
[[-]] a comparing means device for comparing the destination address of an incoming data packet determined for a mobile host (MS2) with stored subnetwork addresses (137.21.16.0; 137.22.25.0) of foreign agents (FA 11, FA 12) for determining the foreign agent (FA 11) to which the packet is to be sent,:

[[-]]a ~~means~~ device for determining a path ~~(37)~~ for transmission of the packet to the foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ by comparing the determined foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ address ~~(137.21.16.0)~~ with stored addresses ~~(137.21.16.0; 137.22.25.0)~~ of foreign agents ~~(FA 11, FA 12)~~, between which foreign agents ~~(FA 11, FA 12)~~ and the home agent ~~(HA 15)~~ paths ~~(37, 62)~~ exist~~,~~; and

[[-]]an interface ~~(eth0)~~ for transmitting a packet to a determined foreign agent ~~(FA 11)~~ on a determined, preconfigured path ~~(37)~~.